



## CALIFORNIA STATE THREAT ASSESSMENT CENTER

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#### (U) CALIFORNIA

##### **(U) San Diego—Feds Indict Members of Tijuana's Hooligans Bikers Club in High-Tech Jeep Thefts**

(U) Federal and state law enforcement authorities said they have broken up a sophisticated auto-theft ring run by a Tijuana-based motorcycle club that swiped 150 Jeep Wranglers in San Diego County over the past several years. The stolen Jeeps—valued at a total of \$4.5 million—were later sold in Mexico or stripped for parts that were then sold in Mexico, according to Assistant US Attorney Mark Conover. Nine members of The Hooligans bikers club were indicted in the scheme and face charges of conspiracy to transport stolen vehicles in foreign commerce. Seven of the nine are US citizens, though the club is based in and operates in Mexico.

SOURCE: 30 May 2017, [San Diego Union-Tribune](#)

#### (U) NATIONAL

##### **(U) District of Columbia—Group Linked to NSA Leaks Says it Will Release More Data in July**

(U) Washington—A group that published hacking tools that security experts believe were stolen from the US National Security Agency said yesterday it plans to sell a new batch of stolen code in July to customers willing to pay more than \$22,000 for it. The Shadow Brokers group said in an announcement on the internet that it has not yet determined what files will be in the collection. It has previously said it has access to tools for hacking into web mobile handsets and Microsoft Corp's Windows 10 operating system, web browsers and network routers. The group is responsible for releasing several NSA hacking tools in April, including one that was used to launch this month's massive "WannaCry" cyber attack.

SOURCE: 31 May 2017, [Reuters](#)

##### **(U) Virginia—American to Stand Trial for Joining ISIS**

(U) Alexandria—Mohamad Khweis, an American who grew up in northern Virginia, is slated to begin trial this week for providing material support to a terrorist organization. Khweis was detained last year in Iraq by Kurdish Peshmerga forces, becoming one of the few Americans who actually made it to Raqqa, Syria, to fight with ISIS. Khweis spent three months with ISIS in Mosul before escaping and surrendering at a Kurdish military checkpoint.

SOURCE: 30 May 2017, [Associated Press](#)

#### (U) INTERNATIONAL

##### **(U) Afghanistan—Blast Hits Diplomatic Quarter, Killing 80 and Injuring 300**

(U) Kabul—A suicide bomb ripped through a secure area of Kabul at the height of the morning rush hour today, killing at least 80 people and wounding more than 300, Afghan officials said. The bomb, concealed in a water delivery truck, detonated at 8:22 a.m. (local time) outside the offices of a major local cellphone company and a popular TV station. It hit about 400 yards from the German Embassy in one of the busiest parts of town, near large supermarkets and shops, resulting in a high civilian death toll. No group has yet to claim responsibility.

SOURCE: 31 May 2017, [CNN](#)

**(U) Germany—Teen Asylum-Seeker Held in Alleged Suicide Attack**

(U) Berlin—German state police questioned a 17-year-old asylum-seeker yesterday after a tactical unit took him into custody on suspicion that he was planning a suicide attack in Berlin. Police in Brandenburg state said the teenager was detained after they learned he had sent a farewell message to family members on WhatsApp and told them that “he had joined the jihad,” or holy war. A police spokesman said police had no evidence that a concrete attack was planned by the 17-year-old, who came to Germany in 2015 as an unaccompanied minor and registered as an asylum-seeker.

SOURCE: 30 May 2017, [Washington Post](#)

**(U) Israel—Millions of Android Phones Hit by ‘Judy’ Malware**

(U) Tel Aviv—Researchers at the Israeli security firm Check Point found an ad-click malware, dubbed ‘Judy,’ on about 50 apps in Google’s Play Store, potentially affecting more than 36 million Android devices. More than 40 of the apps were from the South Korean developer, Kiniwini, which publishes games to the Play Store featuring a character called Judy. Once downloaded, the apps silently register the device to a remote server, which responds by sending back the malicious ad-click software to open a hidden website and generate revenue for the site by clicking on the advertisements.

SOURCE: 30 May 2017, [BBC](#)

**SOUTHWEST BORDER**

**(U) Mexico—Suspected Drug Tunnel Discovered Near Tijuana Border**

(U) Tijuana—A suspected drug tunnel has been found in Tijuana near the border with the United States, authorities said yesterday. Mexican officials informed federal agents with a Homeland Security Investigations-led task force about the possible tunnel, which did not appear to be completed, according to an Immigration and Customs Enforcement spokeswoman. According to Mexican media reports, the discovery was reported in the Castillo neighborhood of northern Tijuana. Mexican authorities were seeking a search warrant and had detained five people, the reports said.

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